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REQUEST FOR FILING APPLICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b)

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**Stop Patent Application**

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Commissioner for Patents  
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Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Date: August 22, 2003

This is a request for filing a new PATENT APPLICATION under Rule 53(b) entitled:

**BEARING MATERIAL FOR POROUS HYDROSTATIC GAS BEARING AND POROUS HYDROSTATIC GAS BEARING  
USING THE SAME**

without a filing fee and/or without an executed inventor's oath/declaration.

This application is made by the below identified inventor(s). Attached hereto are the following papers:

- ☐ Newly executed Declaration, ☐ Copy of Declaration from prior application, ☒ Abstract  
☐ Please **delete** the following inventors in the continuation/division/continuation-in-part application:

**Deleted persons:**

- ☒ 66 pages of specification and claims (including 30 numbered claims), and  
☒ 8 sheets of accompanying drawing/s.

☐ Attached is a Power of Attorney.

- ☒ Priority is hereby claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119 based on the following foreign applications:

**Application Number**

**Country**

**Day/Month/Year Filed**

2002-248477

JP

28 August 2002

2003-041558

JP

19 February 2003

, respectively, the entire content of which is hereby incorporated by reference in this application..

- ☐ Certified copy(ies) of foreign application(s) is/are attached.

- ☐ Certified copy(ies) filed on \_\_\_\_\_ in prior application no. \_\_\_\_\_ filed \_\_\_\_\_

- ☐ This application claims the benefit of Provisional Application No. \_\_\_\_\_, filed \_\_\_\_\_, the entire content of which is hereby incorporated by reference in this application.

- ☐ This application is a ☐ continuation/☐ division/☐ continuation-in-part of Application No. \_\_\_\_\_, filed \_\_\_\_\_, the entire content of which is hereby incorporated by reference in this application.

Petition filed in prior application to extend its life to insure co-pendency.

- ☐ The prior application is assigned to \_\_\_\_\_

- ☐ It is hereby requested that the Examiner consider the art cited in the above parent application(s) by applicant and/or the Examiner for the reasons stated therein. A listing of that art is attached, but pursuant to Rule 98(d) copies are not required.

- ☐ Applicant claims "small entity" status. ☐ "Small entity" statement attached.

- ☒ Please enter the attached and/or below preliminary amendment **prior** to calculation of filing fee:

- ☐ Also attached: ☐ Information Disclosure Statement; ☐ Non-Publication Request; ☐ Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission; ☐ Statement deleting Inventor(s) named in prior application; ☐ Other:

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☐ **See attached sheet(s) for additional inventor(s) information!!**

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